

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 12-1-61

FROM : Mr. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "3-STAR EXTRA" AND
FULTON LEWIS, JR., RADIO PROGRAMS
NOVEMBER 30, 1961

Wash D.C.

Both the "3-Star Extra" and Fulton Lewis, Jr., news programs on November 30, 1961, gave coverage to the fact that November 30 marks the final day for leaders of the Communist Party, USA, to register with the Attorney General in compliance with the Internal Security Act of 1950. On both programs, it was pointed out that the Party has dissolved its top leadership and has left its reins in the hands of three persons-- National Chairman Elizabeth Gurly Flynn, National Secretary Ben Davis and General Secretary Gus Hall. Both programs stated that there are indications the other Party leaders may be going underground but expressed confidence in the FBI's ability to keep abreast of their movements and activities.

Both programs also cited the fact that Attorney General Robert Kennedy has stated the Department of Justice will enforce the Internal Security Act of 1950 with regard to the communists.

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Ray Henle of "3-Star Extra" was particularly outspoken in praising the FBI and the Director in the internal security field. He stated that the American people can be thankful for the FBI which, under Mr. Hoover's direction, has become expert in security-type investigations. He further stated that it is "almost a certainty" the FBI can put its hands on the communist leaders and can furnish information concerning them to the Department of Justice even if the Party leaders go underground. He referred to the fact that communists have tried time and again to discredit the FBI and Mr. Hoover and stated that the current deadline for the Party leaders to register under the Internal Security Act proves why the Party has wanted the Director and the FBI out of the way.

"3-Star Extra" also cited the remarks of Senator Strom Thurmond (D. - South Carolina) that American military leaders have been muzzled on anticommunist statements due to orders "direct from Moscow." This statement by Senator Thurmond has, of course, received wide news coverage.

Enclosure *sent 12-1-61*

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Jones to DeLoach memo

Re: "3-STAR EXTRA" AND
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RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter be sent Ray Henle of "3-Star Extra" thanking him for his expressions of confidence. It is not felt a letter should be sent to Fulton Lewis inasmuch as his remarks were not nearly as strong as Ray Henle's.

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